UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

ROOFERS' PENSION FUND, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOSEPH C. PAPA, et al.,

Defendants.

CARMIGNAC GESTION, S.A.,

Plaintiff,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

MASON CAPITAL L.P. et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

16-2805 (MCA) (LDW)

ORDER

Civil Action No.

17-10467 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

18-1119 (MCA) (LDW)

PENTWATER EQUITY OPPORTUNITIES MASTER FUND LTD., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

HAREL INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

FIRST MANHATTAN CO.,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOSEPH C. PAPA, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

18-1121 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

18-2074 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

18-2291 (MCA) (LDW)

TIAA-CREF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

NATIONWIDE MUTUAL FUNDS, on behalf of its series NATIONWIDE GENEVA MID CAP GROWTH FUND and NATIONWIDE S&P 500 INDEX FUND, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

WCM ALTERNATIVES: EVENT-DRIVEN FUND, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

18-8175 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

18-15382 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

18-16204 (MCA) (LDW)

HUDSON BAY MASTER FUND LTD., *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

SCHWAB CAPITAL TRUST on behalf of its series SCHWAB S&P 500 INDEX FUND, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

SCULPTOR MASTER FUND, LTD. f/k/a OZ MASTER FUND, LTD., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

18-16206 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

19-3973 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

19-4900 (MCA) (LDW)

ABERDEEN CANADA FUNDS – GLOBAL EQUITY FUND, a series of ABERDEEN CANADA FUNDS, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

DISCOVERY GLOBAL CITIZENS MASTER FUND, LTD., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

YORK CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

19-6560 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

19-21502 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

19-21732 (MCA) (LDW)

BURLINGTON LOAN MANAGEMENT DAC,

Plaintiff,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

UNIVERSITIES SUPERANNUATION SCHEME LTD.,

Plaintiff,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

PRINCIPAL FUNDS, INC., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

20-1484 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

20-2262 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

20-2410 (MCA) (LDW)

KUWAIT INVESTMENT AUTHORITY, et al.,

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Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

BLACKROCK GLOBAL ALLOCATION FUND, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PERRIGO COMPANY PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.

20-3431 (MCA) (LDW)

Civil Action No.

20-4748 (MCA) (LDW)

THIS MATTER having come before the Court by way of the August 31, 2020 application of intervenor the United States to further extend the limited stay of discovery in the above-captioned *Roofers' Pension* Class Action and the 19 related Individual Actions. (Civ. A. No. 16-2805, ECF No. 300); and

WHEREAS with the consent of all parties, the Court entered an Order dated October 16, 2019 imposing a limited stay of discovery relating to the pricing, sale, and marketing of generic pharmaceuticals in the United States by defendant Perrigo Company plc. (Civ. A No. 16-2805, ECF No. 220); and

WHEREAS by Orders filed December 12, 2019, April 9, 2020, and July 14, 2020, the Court extended the limited stay of discovery at the United States' request, and over the objections of Lead Plaintiff in the *Roofers' Pension* Class Action, through August 31, 2020 in light of the

Government's ongoing criminal investigation into anticompetitive practices in the generic pharmaceuticals industry. (Civ. A. No. 16-2805, ECF Nos. 242, 270, 296); and

WHEREAS by letter dated August 31, 2020, the Government requests a fourth extension of the limited discovery stay through October 30, 2020 relating to the depositions of seven individuals. (Civ. A. No. 16-2805, ECF Nos. 298, 300); and

WHEREAS Lead Plaintiff in the *Roofers' Pension* Class Action opposes any further stay of discovery, and defendants and the Individual Action plaintiffs take no position. (Civ. A. No. 16-2805, ECF Nos. 300, 301); and

WHEREAS the Court has reviewed *in camera* the August 31, 2020 *Ex Parte* Declaration of Ryan Danks in support of the application for a further stay; and

WHEREAS the Court has considered the factors *Walsh Securities, Inc. v. Cristo Property Management, Ltd.*, 7 F. Supp. 2d 523, 527 (D.N.J. June 9, 1998); and

WHEREAS the Court notes that the limited discovery stay has been in place for approximately one year, but none of the deponents subject to the stay, or Perrigo itself, have been charged with criminal conduct; and

WHEREAS the Court recognizes that the Hon. Cynthia M. Rufe, U.S.D.J. has extended the limited discovery stay through November 30, 2020 in *In re: Generic Pharmaceuticals Pricing Antitrust Litigation*, related multidistrict litigation proceedings in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. (Civ. A. No. 16-MD-2724, Pretrial Order No. 136); and

WHEREAS for substantially the same reasons as set forth in the Court's Orders dated December 12, 2019 and April 9, 2020;

IT IS on this day, September 29, 2020, **ORDERED** that:

1. The Government's application to further extend the stay of seven depositions relating to

the pricing, sale, and marketing of generic pharmaceuticals in the United States by

defendant Perrigo in light of an ongoing criminal investigation into anticompetitive

practices in the generic pharmaceuticals industry is **GRANTED**. All terms of the Court's

October 16, 2019 Order shall remain in effect until October 30, 2020. However, the Court

has afforded the Government more than one year to pursue its criminal investigation, is

cognizant of the prejudice the Class Action plaintiffs face if forced to forego these seven

depositions in order to pursue their claims, and is not amenable to what increasingly

appears to be an indefinite stay of discovery in these civil actions. Therefore, the

Government is hereby put on notice that, absent developments that significantly alter the

analysis under the Walsh factors, this will be the **FINAL** extension of the limited discovery

stay the Court will entertain.

2. The telephone conference set for October 15, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. shall proceed as

scheduled. The parties shall submit concise status letters to the Court no later than **October**

9, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Defense counsel is directed to send a list of all attorneys appearing

on the call to LDW orders@njd.uscourts.gov at least 10 minutes prior to the conference.

At the allotted time, counsel are to dial (888) 684-8852, access code 3872545.

s/ Leda Dunn Wettre

Hon. Leda Dunn Wettre

United States Magistrate Judge